

Minutes
Board of Supervisors
Budget Session
April 23, 2015

Members Present: Johnny Woodward, Chairman At-Large
David Wiatrowski, District 2
J. D. Cave, District 3
Darrell Short, District 4
Dorothy F. Pendley, District 5

Absent: D. Keith Guzy, District 1

Staff Present: Amity Moler, County Administrator
Janeena Zalipski, Clerk
35 Citizens

Call to Order:

Chairman Johnny Woodward called to order the budget session of the Page County Board of Supervisors on April 23, 2015, at 7:00 p.m., in the Board of Supervisors Room located in Page County Government Center, 103 South Court Street, Luray. A quorum of the Board was present.

Public Hearing & Adoption of the Tax Rates for 2015:

Chairman Woodward opened the public hearing on the adoption of the tax rates for 2015 at 7:02 p.m.

Mrs. Moler said the proposed tax rates for calendar year 2015 were advertised to remain unchanged from the 2014 rates. They are: Real Estate & Mobile Homes \$0.64, Personal Property \$4.64, Machinery & Tools \$2.00, Motor Carrier \$2.00, and Aircraft \$0.50. All rates are per \$100 of assessed value.

With no speakers from the public, Chairman Woodward closed the hearing at 7:04 p.m.

Supervisor Cave suggested appointing a committee to look at the Motor Carrier rate. He said there is a situation where many people are tagging and titling their RV's outside of the County and out of State because of the County's rate.

Chairman Woodward suggested putting it on the agenda for the work session in May.

Motion: Supervisor Cave moved to adopt the 2015 tax rates as presented, which are the same rates as 2014. Supervisor Wiatrowski seconded and the motion carried by a vote of 5-0. Aye: Woodward, Wiatrowski, Cave, Short, Pendley. Nay: None. Absent: Guzy.

Public Hearing – FY 2015-2016 Budget:

Chairman Woodward opened the public hearing on the FY 2015-2016 Budget at 7:06 p.m.

Public Comments:

Chrissy Allamong had a question concerning the school budget and asked if cuts will be made to electives and field trips. Donna Whitley-Smith, School Superintendent, said that both electives and field trips are not being cut.

With no further speakers, Chairman Woodward closed the hearing at 7:08 p.m.

Chairman Woodward mentioned that the budget would be adopted on April 30, 2015.

Adoption of the PPTRA Rate for 2015:


Mrs. Moler explained that each year the State gives an amount for personal property tax relief, which is the discount rate citizens receive on their personal property bill for vehicles. The State is going to give \$1,640,790.80 in 2015. After the estimated value of supplements and abatements, the Commissioner of the Revenue's Office has averaged the rate in order to give the citizens the biggest value and recommends a 30% rate, in order to give all of discount. The Commissioner of Revenue would like for the Board to adopt the 30% rate.

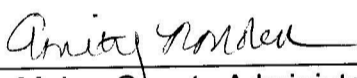
Supervisor Cave asked how this rate differs from previous years. Mrs. Moler said last year was 35% only because the personal property values were less.

Motion: Supervisor Short moved to approve the PPTRA Rate for the 2015 at 30%. Supervisor Pendley seconded and the motion carried by a vote of 5-0. Aye: Wiatrowski, Cave, Short, Pendley, Woodward. Nay: None. Absent: Guzy.

Adjourn: 7:20 p.m.

With no further business, Chairman Woodward adjourned the meeting.


Johnny Woodward, Chairman


Amity Moler, County Administrator